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In re application of:

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MESSAGES FOR CONTROLLING  
PRINTING

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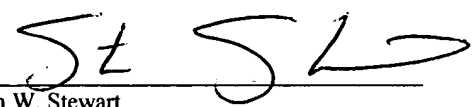
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 25, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

\*Please cancel claims 17-20 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

\*Please amend claims 1, 4, 7, 13, 15 and 16 as follows:

1. (Amended) A paper medium including a surface having a steganographic message encoded thereon, the steganographic message being encoded through modulation of the surface's microtopolgy, the steganographic message including printer control information related to the paper medium that is readable by a machine from an